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REMARKS

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1. [redacted] large units from the Herrenkrug Kaserne and the Anger Kaserne on Breitscheidstrasse departed prior to 24 April 1952. On 24 April, the barracks installations appeared to be vacant. Sentries wore red-bordered black epaulets. There was no training activity. Vehicles [redacted] were identified driving to and from the installations. (1) 25X1
2. On 25 April, the Hindenburg Kaserne at the intersection of Herrenkrugstrasse and Jerichowerstrasse quartered about 1,000 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. About 200 troops were engaged in formation drill and about 100 soldiers in physical exercise. Vehicles [redacted] entered the installation. (2) 25X1
3. On 25 April, the Nachrichten Kaserne on Turmschanzenstrasse was vacant except for a guard detail of soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets. Trucks [redacted] entered the installation. (1) 25X1
4. After 24 April, the troops in the Seeckt Kaserne on Turmschanzenstrasse made preparations for loading. Fifty pontoons and 4 assault boats were counted. Numerous trucks, [redacted] were loaded. (3) 25X1
5. On 26 April, the Flak Kaserne on Thomas-Mannstrasse was occupied by about 1,500 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia. About 200 soldiers were at physical exercise and other units at platoon strength practiced on the adjoining training grounds with 6 x 35-mm AA guns, 4 x 37-mm AA guns and 3 x 20-mm AA guns. Vehicles [redacted] were identified driving to, and from, the installation. (2) 25X1
6. At 12:10 p.m. on 25 April, a train of about 120 axles was dispatched from the loading ramp of the Zuckerbusch Kaserne on Zuckerbuschstrasse, carrying troops on 15 boxcars and 20 to 25 trucks, each with 1 pontoon, 15 trucks with timber and construction material and 2 assault boats on flatcars. Vehicles [redacted] were identified. Another train was [redacted] 25X1

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loaded at about 12:30 p.m. It included about 20 boxcars with troops and numerous trucks.

on an undetermined number of flatcars. (3)

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Comments.

- (1) [redacted] these barracks installations have been vacant or only partially occupied since mid-April 1952. [redacted] Elements of the 19th Gds Mecz Div stationed in the Herrenkrug Kaserne, the Anger Kaserne and the Nachrichten Kaserne, see paragraph 3, have been carried at Letzling Heath since about mid-April 1952. [redacted] 25X1
- (2) The fact that the Hindenburg Kaserne was still occupied on 25 April 1952 confirms the assumption that headquarters troops of the Third Shock Army are stationed there. These units presumably include artillery and/or signal-communications troops and a motor transport unit. [redacted] 25X1
- [redacted] the barracks installation quartered only a rear detail on 23 April. [redacted] 25X1
- (3) Confirms the loading of the 36th Pön Bridge Regt of the GOFG during the period from 24 to 26 April 1952. [redacted] 25X1
- [redacted] Loadings in the area of the Zuckertbusch Kaserne are reported for the first time, see paragraph 6; however, since a railroad line crosses the billeting area, the information is given credence. [redacted] 25X1
- (4) after the departure of elements of the 19th Gds Mecz Div on 15 and 16 April 1952, the Flak Kaserne is carried as being partially occupied by units of the 3d Gds AAA Div. [redacted] 25X1
- (5) [redacted] confirms the 359th Gds AAA Regt of the 10th Gds Tank Div in their permanent quarters at Kramnitz until 15 February 1952. [redacted] 25X1

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